EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Assessment Grant

\$350,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the City of Lawrence for a brownfields assessment grant. Site-specific hazardous substances grant funds will be used to conduct a Phase II environmental site assessment at Lot #2 of the Tombarello Site at 207 Marston Street. The 11.4-acre site is part of a 14-acre property that was formerly used as a scrap metal recycling facility, soap manufacturer, and truck driving school. Grant funds also will be used to prepare a cleanup plan and conduct community outreach activities, including two public meetings.

Cleanup Grant

\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the City of Lawrence for a brownfields cleanup grant. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up Lot #1 of the Tombarello Site at 207 Marston Street. The 2.6-acre cleanup site is part of a 14-acre property that was formerly used as a scrap metal recycling facility, soap manufacturer, and truck driving school. It is contaminated with PCBs, arsenic, barium, chromium, and mercury. Grant funds also will be used to conduct community outreach activities, including three public meetings.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

EPA Region 1 Brownfields Team (617) 918-1627 EPA Region 1 Brownfields Web site (https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/brownfields-and-land-revitalization-connecticut-maine-massachusetts-new-hampshire-rhode)

Grant Recipient: City of Lawrence, MA (978) 620-3015

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